

THE RESCUE OF THE DIXONS

How They Escaped Freezing and Starvation.

PERILOUS JOURNEY ON ICE

Tales of Terrible Suffering—Schooners and Sloops Driven to Sea by Drifting Ice—Five Bodies Floated Ashore at Smith's Island—Arrival of Overdue Steamers—Admiral Dewey Floated.

(By Telegram to Virginia-Pilot.)

Baltimore, Feb. 18.—A special from Cape Charles, Va., to the Herald says: Mrs. Thomas Dixon, Jr., and party arrived at the former's home in this city this afternoon at 5 o'clock, after a week of thrilling and dangerous experience aboard the yacht Dixie, which still lays frozen up in the ice at Rouse's Hole channel, Broadwater, near Hog Island, in charge of the captain.

A PERILOUS TRIP.

Confronted with the alternative of freezing and starving to death aboard the yacht or wading two miles across the ice and snow, where assistance could reach them, they decided this morning to make the start for the main land. The trip was a perilous and dangerous one. Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Ellsworth, of New York, broke through the ice several times, but were pulled out by the attendants. The crew of the life-saving station finally succeeded in reaching them and brought the party safely to the shore, where they took a special train. The party consisted of Mrs. Thomas Dixon, Jr., and son and Mrs. Ellsworth, of Richmond county, N. Y., and the crew and servants.

SAVED FROM STARVING.

The party were saved from starving by one of the life-saving crew walking out on the ice and taking a supply of provisions from the station. For fuel they used the oars, decoys, small boats, partitions—in fact, everything movable on the yacht. The only thing remaining was the masts, which would have been used to take the party out, but they were in getting off.

Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., is in Iowa on a lecturing tour, where he has been for a week.

CARRIED OUT TO SEA.

Baltimore, Feb. 18.—A special dispatch from Cape Charles, Va., to the Baltimore Herald, says: "Fifty oyster sloops and schooners have been carried out to sea by drifting ice from Magothy's Bay. It is believed many are manned, and the crews may suffer from exposure and hunger. Tugs will be sent to overhaul the drifting vessels."

STORY OF TERRIBLE SUFFERING.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 18.—Mr. W. L. Wilson, of Bishopville, reports a terrible story of suffering, which had taken place at Robbins on the Pee Dee River, in Darlington county. Thursday a negro man named Ned Bostle found that the water of the river was rising around his house.

He got an old boat and placing his family, consisting of his wife, Emily, and his children, Irene, Ben, Rollins and Burrell, in it, tried to reach a point of safety. As he neared the bridge on the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta railroad, however, the boat went to pieces and the entire party was drowned. The bodies were caught under the ice and were not discovered until yesterday.

DROWNED AT CAPE CHARLES.

Baltimore, Md., February 18.—A special to the Herald from Cape Charles, Va., says: Shelly Banks, an old colored man who drives a delivery wagon between here and Cape Charles, was found frozen to death in a snow drift about two miles from his home.

Five bodies, two whites and three colored, floated ashore on Smith's Island to-day. It is thought the men were trying to get ashore on the ice from some boat and were frozen to death.

Savannah, Ga., February 18.—A special to the Morning News from Brunswick, Ga., says:

The steamer Mallory Line steamship City of San Antonio had not arrived at a late hour. Agent Raymond expresses the greatest confidence in her showing up all right and states his belief that she has been blown off shore for many miles by the strong winds prevailing for several days after her departure from New York.

A BRIG ABANDONED.

Delaware Breakwater, Feb. 18.—The British steamer Brown Light, Shields, for Philadelphia, reports having passed February 17th the brig H. B. Hussey, Captain Warr, Savannah for Portland, abandoned one hundred miles east by south of Sandy Hook.

THE PAVONIA ARRIVES.

London, Feb. 18.—The Cunard steamship Pavonia, which sailed from Queenstown for Boston on January 26, and which was sighted on February 5 in latitude 44° 10' north, longitude 41° 13' west, in a disabled condition, arrived in tow at the Azores to-day.

A dispatch from Ponta del Gada received this afternoon says the Pavonia reports that on January 29 she was struck by a hurricane and had in the trough of the sea for twenty hours on Tuesday. On Friday, February 3, at 3:30 p. m., her engines stopped with the boilers adrift, causing the ship to labor heavily on the seas, which broke her over her. On February 6 and 7 the Pavonia was in a desperate condition. All her boilers were adrift and rolling in her hull and there was little hope of saving the ship. The crew worked three days and nights without leaving the boiler, to secure the boiler, which had broken off the sea cocks, letting in the water.

On Thursday, the 9th, the steamer sighted the steamer Horatio, which refused to render her assistance, and on Friday she sighted the steamer Volition, which took her in tow. At 11 p. m. the cable parted, but the Volition stood by all day Saturday, but lost the Pavonia on Sunday in a terrible gale. On Monday the Volition again found the disabled steamer and stood by her until Tuesday, February 14, when cables were again made fast and the Pavonia was towed here without further accident. There was no panic aboard, although the passengers gave up hope for several days, during which it was thought the boilers would surely sink the ship. There were many accidents to the crew, but nobody was seriously hurt.

The passengers unite in praising the officers and crew for performing almost superhuman work in securing the boilers while the vessel was rolling terribly.

THE ADMIRAL DEWEY FLOATED. Boston, Mass., Feb. 18.—The steamer Admiral Dewey, which went ashore on Cuttyhunk Shoals Wednesday, was floated this afternoon and will be towed to Vineyard Haven.

A DAY IN CONGRESS.

WHAT THE SENATE AND HOUSE DID YESTERDAY.

(By Telegram to Virginia-Pilot.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—The Senate spent most of the day on the post-office appropriation bill, but failed to complete it. After animated discussion of the pneumatic tube system, Mr. Cullom's amendment, increasing the appropriation for this purpose and designed to extend the system to Chicago, was tabled.

A spirited controversy arose over the Senate amendment that Star route bidders shall reside on the route where the service is to be performed. Mr. Money, of Mississippi, said this would result in leaving many star routes without bidders.

Mr. Pascoe, of Florida, said steps should be taken to break up this speculative bidding in star routes. He had seen the service carried on in Florida in a manner unworthy of the government as a result of the system of sub-bidding.

The amendment was allowed to stand with a vote of 19 yeas and 10 nays. A number of bills of minor importance were passed early in the day. At 4:30 p. m. the Senate adjourned.

IN THE HOUSE.

The House to-day spent two hours upon the naval appropriation bill without making any progress, and devoted the remainder of the session to resolutions upon the life and public service of the late Representative Northway, of Ohio.

The paragraph in the bill relating to the Naval Academy, against which Mr. Mudd (Rep., of Maryland), raised a point of order yesterday, was stricken out, the point of order being sustained. Mr. Mudd then moved additional appropriation of \$720,000 for the completion of the buildings at the academy, authorized by the last naval bill.

The amendment was not voted upon. During the morning hour a bill was passed for the relief of George A. Dickel & Co., of Nashville, Tenn.

ABUNDANCE OF GOLD.

TREASURY CANNOT SUPPLY DEMAND FOR PAPER MONEY.

(By Telegram to Virginia-Pilot.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—A telegram was received at the Treasury to-day from New Orleans stating that there was a surplus of gold there and an insufficient supply of paper currency, and asking that an exchange be made. Treasurer Roberts, in speaking of the situation, said:

"We have in the Treasury and its branches \$27,000,000 in gold and \$23,000,000 in paper. We are giving out what paper we can and distributing as well as we can among our nine sub-treasuries. We have received lately applications from New York, Cincinnati, Chicago and Kansas City, asking for paper in return for deposits of gold in the sub-treasury at New York. We have informed applicants that they would have to pay bankers' rates for transportation in such cases, and while the difference between bankers and government's rates is slight, it seems to be enough to prevent calls for the money."

"The cause for these demands seems to be that the people have not yet become reconciled to using gold coin, and particularly to the fact that business is so active that paper money is being kept out among individuals instead of being in the banks. If gold does not become popular as a means of interchange the banks will have to give relief by increasing the issues of their own notes. That is where the relief must come from."



TYPICAL FILIPINO SOLDIERS AND THE INSURGENT FLAG.

Many erroneous pictures of the Filipino flag have been published, but the above picture is correct. The upper stripe is blue, the lower stripe is red, the triangular portion is white and the stars and sun are yellow. The Filipinos, officers and men, are much smaller than their American opponents, but they are braver than the Spaniards.

THE NATIONAL DEMOCRACY

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ance or venality—cannot succeed against temperate arguments and appeals for simple justice, when the people have time to fairly weigh the arguments and form a deliberate judgment. There was great unrest and dissatisfaction in 1896 throughout the country, resulting from falling prices and shrinking values. The Republican party promised that if they were entrusted with power all this would be changed, and that prosperity should succeed existing conditions. Mr. McKinley and the gold press now assure the country that we have prosperity. There is quite a boom in stock speculation in Wall street, but Wall street is not the country, as we believe. Great famine and a short crop of wheat all over the world, except in the United States, naturally raised the price of wheat, while these conditions lasted, and the beneficial effects of this temporary advance in the price of a single article, which was so marked in the short period it continued, is likely to stimulate a desire for a return to that condition permanently, and an extension of it to all other products. This is our purpose, and was our purpose in 1896, when the Republican party pronounced any effort to increase prices as a crime.

ACTIVITY IN BUSINESS.

"How do you account for the activity in business?" "There has been necessarily an increased demand for labor within the last few months, as the result of the withdrawal of large numbers of American citizens from the ordinary walks of life to be employed in the army, whose places had to be filled. There has also been an increased activity in and a demand for all products which were necessary to the maintenance and support of a large army. But all these conditions are in the very nature of things temporary, and all of us know that they must pass away with the end of the conditions which brought them into life. Making due allowance for the influence of these three causes, on the present condition of the country, there is to-day as much dissatisfaction and as much cause for it as there was in 1896. No relief was or is to be expected under Republican management except such as comes by famine abroad and war at home. A condition of constantly falling general prices is everywhere recognized as a condition of distress and hard times, and speculation in Wall street does not change this. We believe that a small volume of money forces prices down, hence we have

PECULIAR POISONS.

GENERATED IN THE HUMAN BODY.

The Result of Imperfect Digestion of Food.

Every living thing, plant or animal, contains within itself the germs of certain decay and death. In the human body these germs of death (called by scientists Plomones), are usually the result of imperfect digestion of food; the result of indigestion or dyspepsia.

The stomach, from abuse, weakness, does not promptly and thoroughly digest the food. The result is life is a source of death (called by scientists Plomones), are usually the result of imperfect digestion of food; the result of indigestion or dyspepsia.



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CHICAGO PLATFORM GAINING GROUND.

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"Then you think the Chicago platform is gaining ground?" "I most certainly do. In the elections of last year the principles of that platform were not the leading and exclusive issues in all sections of the country. These were partially obscured in many States and districts. The question of bimetallism, the Republican effort to retire the greenbacks and to confer upon the national banks the absolute control of the volume of paper money, and to suppress the country to the trusts, were, in many sections, for the time being, lost sight of in the excitement of the war and its resulting questions, and in others they were sidetracked by efforts to substitute local issues in their stead. The result was a great loss of interest and a large falling off in the vote, with apparently unfavorable results to the Democratic party. In Colorado, where national issues were at the front and dominant, the interest in the election was intense, the vote large and our majority overwhelming. In States where it was stated, whether truly or not, that there was an intention on the part of the Democratic managers to sidetrack the great issue, with the purpose of ultimately bringing the party in national convention back to the practice of shuffling and evasion, so long persisted in by the Republicans, the interest was not great, the vote was not full and the results were not conclusively. There was, however, one great and valuable result—all reasonable men are now satisfied that straddling and dodging are not popular. The next Democratic national convention will speak out again in the same clear, unequivocal terms, and in the same manner and in the same lines that it did in 1896. Of this there is no doubt, the assertions of the Republican gold press, who, when the wish is father to the thought, to the contrary notwithstanding."

Frauds Discovered in Havana.

(By Telegram to Virginia-Pilot.)

Havana, February 18.—Enormous frauds in the water distribution in Havana have been discovered by the commission appointed to inquire into the finances of the city. It appears that one-fifth of the householders in Havana have been stealing water with the connivance of the Alcaldes de Barrios and the Mayors of thirty-nine wards, who are also water inspectors in their respective districts. The city, being through this means between \$60,000 and \$80,000 a year, a percentage of this amount going into the pockets of the alcaldes. The frauds have been perpetrated for years back.

Chauncey Depew Ill.

(By Telegram to Virginia-Pilot.)

Chicago, Ill., February 18.—Owing to the illness of Dr. Chauncey M. Depew his address before the Railway and Telegraph Employees' League has been postponed until February 24th. Dr. Depew is expected to be in Chicago on that date. The address is to be delivered at the First Regiment Armory.

Forty-eight pennies weigh as nearly as possible one pound.

There are over 2,000 animals in the London Zoological Gardens.

Prince Bismarck lived exactly within a day of seeing 1,000 months.

Forty per cent. of the export of American nails taken to Japan.

Lake Ontario is 247 feet above the ocean. Erie 553, Huron 581, Superior 602.

About half a million pairs of boots are stored every year at the army clothing factory in England.

In some parts of Central and South Africa a single firefly gives enough light to illuminate a whole room.

Spain has only seventy-four women classed as literary writers and only seventy-eight women physicians.

Many of the chiefs of the State Department in Michigan's capital save hotel bills by the use of folding beds in their offices.

The cabbage still grows wild in Greece, where it originated. Radishes are native to China, but have been grown in Europe for centuries.

In Peru it was once the custom for domestic servants to have two of their upper front teeth extracted. Their absence indicated their servitude.

A DAYS EVENTS IN FRANCE

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ed an open carriage and pair to await him at the station, instead of a carriage and four. He was well received by a tremendous crowd. He arrived by daylight and had an escort of cuirassiers. The entire absence of haughtiness in his demeanor was favorably remarked.

M. Loubet paid a visit to Mme. Faure at his way home, and saluted the corpse of M. Faure.

Loubet is the right man in the right place. The importance of to-day's presidential election for the welfare of the French Republic and the prestige of France abroad cannot be over-estimated. The issue taken was whether the law should be paramount or an irresponsible league—the League of the French Fatherland, in the hands of clerical, monarchial and military agitators.

Never was a more monstrous conspiracy engineered to pervert a whole nation's sense of justice in order to perpetrate the greatest miscarriage of law of the century and shield a few felons from the consequences of crime. The more sensible part of France feels, after M. Loubet's election, that a great weight has been taken off their conscience and hopes that a new leaf will be turned over the worst page of modern French history.

THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

M. Clemenceau wrote yesterday that it was necessary that the new President should be a man not connected with the Dreyfus affair. He, therefore, would support M. Loubet. Fairness, this, but the Nationalists do not want fairness. They want Dreyfus, guilty or innocent, to remain perpetually at Devil's Island.

The Nationalist organs are forced to admit that not a word or deed of M. Loubet can be connected with Dreyfusism.

The fact is that the anti-semites' heads have been turned by victories due to the weakness of the Government, and they thought they could boss France. They won another victory this morning when Premier Dupuy, yielding to anti-semitic clamor, gave Herr Fischauer, the correspondent of the Neue Freie Presse notice of expulsion from France. Herr Fischauer, a Catholic Austrian, asked the reason, and was told that it was on account of the general tone of his letters on Dreyfus. M. Dupuy, however, being unable to point to a single unwarrantable passage in the letters.

It was the bill against the Court of Cassation, I learned, that wrecked M. Dupuy's chances. The Deputies thought he was good enough for Premier, but he had lost the respect which a Presidential candidate must command. As regards Meline, he could not win unless with the support of the Right, and the Republicans have learned the lesson from the case of M. Faure that the President cannot do his duty to the republic and at the same time fulfill promises to the monarchists.

M. Loubet granted me an interview to-night, in the course of which he said:

THE NEW PRESIDENT TALKS.

"I owe everything to the Republican majority. France and the republic are inseparable. All anti-Republican opinions are free unless leading to acts against the republic. The rallies must be judged by their acts, not by their words. I shall govern in a Republican sense only. I have given proofs in my long political career that I am neither a place hunter, ambitious nor overbearing. Brought up in the study of the law, I will be its single-minded servant. The Elysee is a post of duty. I speak the truth in declaring that I never was ambitious to go there. Our quiet life is ended."

"The Nationalist papers this evening declare war to the knife on Loubet, vowing that they will never rest until they have expelled him from the Elysee. Jules Le Maître, founder of the League of the French Motherland, says he will try to get arrested for insulting M. Loubet, as he intends to do."

"EMILY CRAWFORD."

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MUCH IN LITTLE

Cosima Wagner, the widow of the great composer, is ill with pneumonia.

Maudie Adams is receiving much social attention in Washington this week.

R. B. Mantell is the latest star to be mentioned in connection with "The Three Guardsmen."

The majority of the theatres in New York will give special matinees on Lincoln's birthday.

Odell Williams, of "Way Down East" Company, had a fall on the ice in St. Louis lately, injuring his ankle.

When Margaret Anglin retires from Richard Mansfield's company, Katherine Grey will take her place as Roxane.

The Kendalls will come to this country about the middle of next September, and begin their American tour in Philadelphia.

Winifred Emery will appear in the new play by John Oliver Hobbes (Mrs. Craigie), which will be produced in London the coming fall.

Longwood, Bonaparte's house at St. Helena, is now a barn; the room in which he died is a stable, on the site of his grave is a machine for grinding corn.

Among the many mysteries of bird migration is the fact that overseas journeys are generally conducted in the darkness and invariably against a head wind.

It is said that a striking outline of the features of George Washington has appeared in a knotty protuberance of a tree in Portland, Me. It is not a cherry tree.

Of 1,600 housewives in Almelo, Holland, who were consulted as regards the desirability of abolishing night work for bakers, all but ten favored the measure.

More than fifty years ago a coal mine at Daily, Scotland, caught fire. All the attempts made to put it out have failed, but it is out now, apparently from lack of fuel.

There are in France 15,227 charitable organizations. It is proposed to collect statistics relating to them and print them in a volume in time for the exhibition of 1900.

The furniture of the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, ordered for the making of which have been received at the Portsmouth navy yard, is to cost nearly \$100,000.

Nine experienced slaters from Pen Argyl and one from Bangor, Northampton county, have gone to England, where they have secured employment in the Wiveliscombe slate quarries.

The facilities for inland transportation are so limited in Brazil that the inhabitants of the ports and it cheaper to import grain from North America than from their own farms.

Divers in the British navy before being passed as proficient in their craft have to be able to work in twelve fathoms of water for an hour and twenty fathoms for a quarter of an hour.

The partnership existing between James A. Horne and Henry C. Miner has been amicably dissolved. Mr. Horne is the sole proprietor of his own company, presenting "The Rev. Griffith Davenport."

In "The Great Ruby," which is to be brought out at Daly's, all the leading members of the company will appear. The play has six acts and ten scenes and the hour for the curtain's rising will be advanced.

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Mrs. RUTH BEELEY, Salem, Ky.

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